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[Despatch Abstract.]

Education-Secondary--South Kanara District, Board-Board High School, Puttur--Headmaster Sri P.Ramakrishnarao--Loss of Library book - Recovery of cost--appeal against the orders of the President, District Board--Memorial to Government--Orders passed.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MADRAS
Rc.No.2043-E3/51 Dated 12-10-1952

Sub:- Education--Secondary--South Kanara District Board--Board High School, Puttur--Headmaster Sri P. Ramakrishnara Loss of Library books--Recovery of cost--Appeal against the orders.

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Ref:- Rc.No.13488-A3/51 dated 21-5-1952 of the President, District Board, South Kanara.

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Submitted.

2. The orders of the President, District Board are sufficiently lenient as only 50% of the cost of the books lost was ordered to be recovered. The Headmaster cannot escape from his responsibility for the loss of the books. The memorial is therefore recommended to be rejected.

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For Director of Public Instruction

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education Department, Fort St. George, Madras.

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Ref.13488-A3-51

South Kanara District Board Office,
Mangalore, dated 21-5-1952

From

Sri B. Manjayya Hegde,, B.A.,B.L.,
President, District Board, S.K.

To

The Director of Public Instruction,
M A D R A S .

Sir,

Sub: EDUCATION - Secondary - Bd.High school, Puttur - missing library books - appeal by Sri P.Ramakrishn Rao - copy of the appeal -transmitted.

Ref: Your letter Roc.No.2043-E3-51 dated 12-5-52.

I enclose a copy of the Memorial dated 16-5-51 of Sri P. Ramakrishna Rao, Headmaster, Bd.High school, Mulky for early disposal.

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FOR PRESIDENT

Copy of Memorial dated 16-5-1951 of Sri P. Ramakrishna Rao, Headmaster, Bd.High School, Mulky.

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Sub: BOARD HIGH SCHOOL, Puttur - certain class Text Books Missing from the library - Recovery of cost.
Ref: Ref.C.No.5789-A-49 dated 20-2-51 and 17-3-51 of the President, District Board, South Kanara.
2)Explanation dated 4-3-51 of the Memorialist.

The memorial showeth that:-

1. The memorialist is the present headmaster of Board High school, Mulky and the ex-headmaster of Bd.High school, Puttur.

2. He served as headmaster, Bd.High school, Puttur from April 1945 to May 1948.

3. In May 1948 the charge was handed over to some graduate asst.of the school, before the memorialist proceeded on transfer and subsequently the permanent Headmaster posted to Bd.High school, Puttur took charge from the Assistant.

4. On checking the library, it was reported that certain class text books purchased and to be accounted for during the previous years, were missing and the memorialist was asked to explain the loss.

5. In his explanation the memorialist stated that the condition of the library for the past several years in that school had been most depressing as they could not be properly arranged for want of sufficient almyrahs and space to accommodate those almyrahs; the books were being arranged in two or three rows in each compartment as a result of which annual effective check was well nigh impossible. These libraries were being located in the several class rooms in the absence of a separate room to accommodate the entire library and these almyrahs were subject to the tampering with of the pupils before the commencement of each session and it was not impossible that some pupils of doubtful morals might have tried to get at the books and succeeded in doing so.

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6. It was represented that no library attender was sanctioned though the library consisted of more than 10,000 volumes and the strength of the pupils was more than 600 and as such and under the circumstances stated in para 5, the headmaster was at sea in dealing with the library and but for the alertness of the headmaster many more costly books of reference would have been found missing and hence it was unfair to make the headmaster responsible for the loss which calculated at the yearly rate of depreciation for ordinary text books, would be negligible.

7. Inspite of the explanations given above the memorialist has been ordered to make good the loss and recovery has been ordered from his pay.

8. The memorialist therefore seeks justice from the authorities above and prays that the loss be condoned for the following reasons:---

i) the loss, if any, was due to unavoidable circumstances beyond the control of the memorialist.

ii) there was no neglect of duty on the part of the memorialist.

iii) the supposed loss was on account of certain class text books bought in the course of the previous years.

iv) these text books on account of frequent handling by the teachers concerned reach the stage of write off within a short time.

v) calculated at the usual yearly rate of 50% depreciation for ordinary text books, the missing text books in question would cost but very little.

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vi) Even if the books should be replaced they would be of doubtful value in view of the change in the syllabus and consequent change in the text books.

vii) the space to be occupied by the replaced books would better be utilised for books of real utility.

viii) by deferring the appointment of a library attender when it was long overdue, the board has indirectly saved much more and as such there would be justification and magnanimity on the part of the Board to write off the amount of recovery.

" ix) The memorialist therefore prays that early orders may be issued condoning the loss and waiving recovery of the amount.

For which act of justice the memorialist shall ever be grateful.

Sd: P. Ramakrisha Rao,
The Memorialist & Headmaster, Bd.High school, M

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FOR PRESIDENT,
District Board, South Kanar

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